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Including Vehicle Classification Estimates

where available

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Town of Blackstone

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The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) conducts a program where traffic count data are gathered from sensors in or along streets and highways and other sources. From these data, estimates of the average number of vehicles that traveled each segment of road are calculated. VDOT periodically publishes booklets listing these estimates.

One of these booklets, titled "Average Daily Traffic Volumes with Vehicle Classification Data, on Interstate, Arterial and Primary Routes" includes a list of each Interstate and Primary highway segment with the estimated Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) for that segment. AADT is the total annual traffic estimate divided by the number of days in the year. This booklet also includes information such as estimates of the percentage of the AADT made up by 6 different vehicle types, ranging from cars to double trailer trucks; estimated Annual Average Weekday Traffic (AAWDT), which is the number of vehicles estimated to have traveled the segment of highway during a 24 hour weekday averaged over the year; as well as Peak Hour and Peak Direction factors used by planners to formulate design criteria.

In addition to the Primary and Interstate publication, one hundred books are published periodically, one for each of 100 areas across the state defined by VDOT for record-keeping purposes. These books include traffic volume estimates for roads within the county, cities, and towns within the area. These books are titled "Daily Traffic Volumes Including Vehicle Classification Estimates, where available; Jurisdiction Report numbers 00 through 99".

Also available are a number of reports summarizing the average Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) in selected jurisdictions and other categories of highways. There are many different ways to present traffic volume summary information. Because the user determines the value of each presentation, the reports have been redesigned based on user requests and feedback. The people at VDOT Mobility Management's Traffic Monitoring Section who produce these books welcome requests for other helpful ways of presenting the summary information.

A compact disc (CD) is available that includes files in the Adobe® Portable Document Format (PDF) that can be displayed, searched, and printed using common desktop computer equipment. The CD includes the publications described above as well as a number of other reports, including specialized VMT summaries and smaller AADT reports for each city and town separately.

Publication Notes

Parallel Roads

For road inventory and management purposes, some roadways are counted separately by direction and have separately published traffic estimates for each direction of travel. Examples of such roadways are the interstate system and routes with separated facilities and (usually) one-way traffic facilities in urban areas. In these publications, they are referred to as parallel roads. As a convenience for the users of the publication, the listing for segments of roads with parallel segments are published with both the traffic estimates for their own direction of travel (e.g. I-95 Northbound) as well as the estimate of the total of all traffic on the same route including parallel roadways (all directions of I-95). The publication will have a "Combined Traffic Estimates for Parallel Roadways on this Route" or "Combined Traffic" identifiers for the combined direction of travel estimates.

Roadways such as I-395 with a North segment, a South segment and a separate Reversible lane segment will have the estimate for more than two parallel roadways included in the entire combined traffic estimate.

Some routes have very complicated paths through cities and towns. These parallel paths may be too complex to allow a relationship between nearby sections of the opposite direction on the same route. In this case, to indicate that the traffic estimates for such a road segment may not include all directions of traffic on that route, the line that would list the combined values will indicate "NA" for not available.

VDOT's traffic monitoring program includes more than 100,000 segments of roads and highways ranging from several mile sections of Interstate highways to very short sections of city streets. Due to problems experienced obtaining some traffic count data, and the level of quality necessary to maintain confidence in the data, no estimate is currently available for some segments of roadway. These segments are included in the publications indicating "NA" for not available. It is the intention of the VDOT's Mobility Management Traffic Monitoring group to obtain the data necessary and to report traffic volume estimates on all road segments included in these publications.

Many of the road segments in this program are local secondary roads. The amount and detail of data collected on these roads are not as great as the data collected on higher volume roads. The vehicle classification, average weekday traffic volumes, and the theoretical design hour traffic volumes are not calculated for these roads. The publications indicate "NA" for the information that is not available.

This publication is based on a traffic monitoring program initiated in 1997. Because the data collection techniques and statistical evaluation processes are different than those used in previous years, comparison with previous publications may be misleading.

Glossary of Terms:

Route: The Route Number assigned to this segment of roadway with the master inventory route number if this is an overlapping route, with official street or highway name if available.

Length: Length of the traffic segment in miles.

AADT: Annual Average Daily Traffic. The estimate of typical daily traffic on a road segment for all days of the week, Sunday through Saturday, over the period of one year.

QA: Quality of AADT:

- A Average of Complete Continuous Count Data
- B Average of Selected Continuous Count Data
- F Factored Short Term Traffic Count Data
- G Factored Short Term Traffic Count Data with Growth Element
- H Historical Estimate
- M Manual Uncounted Estimate
- N AADT of Similar Neighboring Traffic Link
- O Provided By External Source
- R Raw Traffic Count, Unfactored

4Tire: Percentage of the traffic volume made up of motorcycles, passenger cars, vans and pickup trucks.

Bus: Percentage of the traffic volume made up of busses.

2Axle Truck: Percentage of the traffic volume made up of 2 axle single unit trucks (not including pickups and vans).

3+Axle Truck: Percentage of the traffic volume made up of single unit trucks with three or more axles.

1Trail Truck: Percentage of the traffic volume made up of units with a single trailer.

2Trail Truck: Percentage of the traffic volume made up of units with more than one trailer.

QC: Quality of Classification Data:

- A Average of Complete Continuous Count Data
- B Average of Selected Continuous Count Data
- C Short Term Classified Traffic Count Data
- F Factored Short Term Traffic Count Data
- H Historical Estimate
- M Mass Collective Average
- N Classification Estimates of Similar Neighboring Traffic Link

K Factor: The estimate of the portion of the traffic volume traveling during the peak hour or design hour.

QK: Quality of the Peak Hour estimate:

- A Factor based on 30th Highest Hour Observed During at least 250 days of Continuous Traffic Data
- B Factor based on other Hour Observed During Less than 250 days of Continuous Traffic Data
- F Factor based on Highest Hour Collected at in a 48 Hour Weekday Period
- M Factor based on Manual Estimate of design hour
- N Peak Hour Factor of Similar Neighboring Traffic Link
- O Provided by External Source

Dir Factor: The estimate of the portion of the traffic volume traveling in the peak direction during the peak hour..

AAWDT: Average Annual Weekday Traffic. The estimate of typical traffic over the period of one year for the days between Monday through Thursday inclusive.

QW: Quality of AAWDT:

- A Average of Complete Continuous Count Data
- B Average of Selected Continuous Count Data
- F Factored Short Term Traffic Count Data
- G Factored Short Term Traffic Count Data with Growth Element
- M Manual Uncounted Estimate
- N AAWDT of Similar Neighboring Traffic Link
- O Provided by External Source

Year: Year for which the published values are appropriate. If the Quality of AADT (QA) is "R", the year is the year that the raw traffic count was collected, and if available,

Route Shield Legend

Route Systems

Interstate Route

Traffic volume data for Interstate Routes and some other routes are reported separately by direction, as well as combined.

US Route

Virginia State Route

Secondary Route

Special Routes

Bus - Business Route
Bypas - Bypass Route
Truck - Truck Route

ALT - Alternate Route
Wve - Wve Route connector

P - Parallel Route; Southbound or Westbound direction lanes of a numbered route where they are on a different road facility than the other direction.

The VDOT Maintainenance Jurisdiction number is displayed below the Secondary Route Number if the Maintenance Jurisdiction is different than the jurisdiction in the title of the report.

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Route	Length	AADT	QA	4Tire	Bus	Truck 2Axle	Truck 3+Axle	Truck 1Trail	Truck 2Trail	QC	K Factor	QK	Dir Factor	AAWDT	QW	Year
Town of Blackstone																
40 South Main Street	0.18	**4000**	**G**	95%	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	F	0.098	F	0.64	4000	G	2003
From: SCL Blackstone To: SR 46																
40 South Main Street	0.57	**11000**	**G**	97%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	C	0.094	F	0.551	11000	G	2003
From: SR 46 To: Tenth St																
40 South Main Street	0.21	**11000**	**G**	97%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	F	0.095	F	0.582	11000	G	2003
From: Tenth St To: West Entrance Rd																
40 South Main Street	0.47	**10000**	**G**	96%	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	C	0.092	F	0.545	10000	G	2003
From: West Entrance Rd To: Elm St																
Bus 40 460 North Main St	0.59	**7600**	**G**	96%	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	C	0.087	F	0.542	7600	G	2003
From: Bus US 460; SR 592 To: North Main St																
40 Dinwiddie Street	0.53	**1900**	**G**	94%	0%	1%	1%	3%	0%	C	0.111	F	0.535	1900	G	2003
From: North Main St To: ECL Blackstone																
46	0.15	**2000**	**G**	89%	1%	2%	1%	7%	0%	C	0.107	F	0.614	2100	G	2003
From: New SCL Blackstone To: SR 40																
Bus 460 Church St	0.25	**4000**	**G**	96%	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%	F	0.108	F	0.501	4000	G	2003
From: WCL Blackstone To: Hardy St																
Bus 460 Church St	0.93	**5300**	**G**	96%	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%	C	0.097	F	0.529	5300	G	2003
From: Hardy St To: South Main St																
Bus 460 North Main St	0.59	**7600**	**G**	96%	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	C	0.087	F	0.542	7600	G	2003
From: Elm St To: Dinwiddie St																
Bus 460 North Main St	0.14	**6400**	**G**	96%	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	F	0.094	F	0.516	6400	G	2003
From: Dinwiddie St To: Division St																
Bus 460 North Main St	0.37	**6500**	**G**	96%	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	F	0.088	F	0.520	6500	G	2003
From: Division St To: Access Rd																
Bus 460 North Main St	0.56	**4200**	**G**	92%	1%	2%	1%	3%	0%	C	0.09	F	0.501	4200	G	2003
From: Access Rd To: ECL Blackstone																
1 Amelia Ave	0.21	**1200**	**G**	98%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	C	0.093	F	0.513	1200	G	2003
From: Nottoway Ave To: Church St																
1 Amelia Ave	0.21	**540**	**G**	98%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	C	0.110	F	0.518	540	G	2003
From: Fourth St To: Church St																
2 Brown St	0.24	**3800**	**G**	98%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	C	0.096	F	0.526	3800	G	2003
From: Church St To: Nottoway Ave																
2 Brown St	0.04	**3000**	**G**	98%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	F	0.106	F	0.553	3000	G	2003
From: Nottoway Ave To: Broad St																
2 Brown St	0.33	**1200**	**G**	97%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	C	0.109	F	0.638	1200	G	2003
From: Broad St To: Division St																
3 College Ave	0.55	**280**	**G**	97%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	C	0.157	F	0.527	280	G	2003
From: Beach Cliff Rd To: Tenth St																
4 Division St	0.06	**990**	**G**	97%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	F	0.129	F	0.635	990	G	2003
From: Brown St To: North Main St																
5 Fourth St	0.11	**810**	**G**	97%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	F	0.111	F	0.615	810	G	2003
From: South Freeman St To: Amelia Ave																

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Town of Blackstone																
(6) S Freeman St	0.19	**NA**									NA			NA		
From: JB-67-142 SCL Blackstone																
To: Fourth Street																
(7) Nottoway Ave	0.93	**NA**									NA			NA		
From: 67-665 JB-142 WCL Blackstone																
To: 142-592 Court House Road																
(8) Ridge Rd	0.40	**1100**	**G**	97%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	C	0.193	F	0.636	1100	G	2003
From: SCL Blackstone																
To: West Entrance Rd																
(9) Tenth Street	0.34	**110**	**G**	98%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	F	0.197	F	0.531	110	G	2003
From: JB-67-142 New Corp Limits																
To: JB-67-142 Old Corp Limits																
(9) Tenth St	0.80	**980**	**G**	98%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	C	0.118	F	0.556	980	G	2003
From: SCL Blackstone																
To: South Main St																
(10) Barco Road	0.20	**2300**	**G**	94%	1%	1%	1%	3%	0%	C	0.107	F	0.684	2300	G	2003
From: Cottage Rd Rt 606																
To: US 460 BUS N. Main St																
(591) West Entrance Rd	0.22	**3100**	**G**	98%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	C	0.098	F	0.593	3100	G	2003
From: South Main St																
To: Lester St																
(591) West Entrance Rd	0.15	**1700**	**G**	98%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	F	0.122	F	0.781	1700	G	2003
From: ECL Blackstone																
To: WCL Blackstone																
(592) Nottoway Ave	0.83	**1100**	**G**	97%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	C	0.098	F	0.508	1100	G	2003
From: Courthouse Rd																
To: Fort Ave																
(592) Nottoway Ave	0.07	**1800**	**G**	97%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	F	0.096	F	0.613	1800	G	2003
From: Fort Ave																
To: Morris St																
(592) Nottoway Ave	0.05	**1800**	**G**	97%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	F	0.097	F	0.627	1800	G	2003
From: Morris St																
To: Brown St																
(592) Nottoway Ave	0.17	**1900**	**G**	98%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	C	0.098	F	0.644	1900	G	2003
From: 142-2 Brown St																
To: C2US 460 Nottoway Ave																
(592) Court House Rd	0.09	**NA**									NA			NA		
From: Nottoway Ave																
To: SCL Blackstone																
(1584) North West Ave	1.82	**3300**	**G**	93%	1%	1%	1%	4%	0%	C	0.098	F	0.601	3300	G	2003
From: Courthhouse Rd																
To: Thomas Lane																
Bird Street		**NA**									NA			NA		
From: West Entrance Rd																
To: Birch Street																
Powell Street		**NA**									NA			NA		